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By a cross-reference to all the digests a word may thus be traced, and its use compared in all these laws which are, more or less, *in pari materia*. Use alone can establish the accuracy and exhaustiveness of this compendium, but the surface indications sufficiently invite confidence. So far as it goes, the book is worth while as a handy collection of much-thumbed laws. Had it been supplemented, however, by the judicial construction thus far placed on the leading words and phrases, the book would have been much more serviceable.

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ELEMENTS OF LAW, considered with reference to Principles of General Jurisprudence. By William Markby. Sixth Edition. Oxford: At the Clarendon Press. 1905. pp. xii, 436. 8vo.

In the preface to the fifth edition of his classic treatise on the Elements of Law, Sir William Markby wrote: "English lawyers have always preferred authority to principles; and they seem to regard principles with something like suspicion. Still I would advise students to make some attempt to discover principles: and this book is an imperfect endeavor to assist them in doing so." It is needless to say at this date that the learned author has given great assistance to students. The fact that six editions of this work have been called for is proof in itself of its worth. It would be of great advantage in the development of English law if more works of this character would be written to influence English and American lawyers to appreciate the value of principles in the making of sound authority.

This work has been in practically the same form since the third edition. The section numbers are the same, and the book has not expanded in size. As the author himself states, this edition is largely identical with the last. Some slight changes have been made in the sections dealing with the subject of "sovereignty." Section 16 of the fifth edition is omitted, and section 16*a* of that edition becomes section 16 of this; section 17*b* of the fifth edition becomes section 17*e* of this edition, and sections 17*b*, 17*c*, 17*d* are new matter. In these new sections, Sir William Markby points out that in international law the word "sovereignty" is not used in the precise sense attributed to it by Austin, nor has Austin's conception of sovereignty anything to do with politics. "It sometimes suits politicians," he says, "to use language of a very vague kind, as when they speak of 'sovereignty of the people.' Such a phrase has no legal significance."

The changes in this edition are so slight that those who possess copies of the next earlier edition will not need to add this to their library; but the work itself is, of course, of such great intrinsic merit that it is well worth possession by those who do not already own it.

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